

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1, prior to the first paragraph which begins on line 4, please insert the following:

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the paragraph which begins on page 1, line 4 and ends on line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The invention relates to a method for magneto-inductive determination of the flow rate of a medium flowing through a measuring tube in the direction of the measuring tube axis, wherein a magnetic field passes through the measuring tube essentially perpendicularly to the axis of the measuring tube, ~~wherein~~ and a measurement voltage is induced in at least one measuring electrode arranged essentially perpendicularly to the axis of the measuring tube~~[[,]] and wherein the .~~ The induced measurement voltage delivers information concerning the volume flow of the medium in the measuring tube. ~~Additionally, the~~ The invention relates to a corresponding apparatus.

On page 1, prior to the second paragraph which begins on line 14, please insert the following:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

On page 3, prior to the paragraph which begins on line 31, please insert the following:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On page 6, prior to the paragraph which begins on line 16, please insert the following:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

On page 6, prior to the paragraph which begins on line 24, please insert the following:

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Please delete page 11 in its entirety.